

## McBain Middle School Annual Education Report

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Dear Parents and Community Members:

We are pleased to present you with the Annual Education Report (AER) which provides key information on the 2010-2011 educational process for the McBain Middle School. The AER addresses the complex reporting information required by federal and state laws. The school's report contains information about student assessment, Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) and teacher quality. Education Yes! Accreditation is in good standing with State Report Card composite grade of A. If you have any questions about the AER, please contact Kim VanderVlucht, Middle School Principal, for assistance.

The AER is available for you to review electronically by visiting the following web site [www.mcbain.org](http://www.mcbain.org) or you may review a copy at the principal's office at your child's school.

For 2010-2011, McBain Middle School made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in English language arts and mathematics. In fifth grade 88% of students in math and 88% of students in reading were proficient. In sixth grade 92% of students in math and 90% of students in reading were proficient. The seventh grade students were 88% proficient in math and 82% were proficient in reading. The eighth grade students were 88% proficient in math while 88% were proficient in reading. In science, students were 88% proficient. While we are pleased to have reached this important goal, we are continuously working to improve. Additional MEAP data is available at [www.wmisd.org/AER](http://www.wmisd.org/AER).

The building school improvement team has analyzed data and subsequently developed a comprehensive professional development plan for all teachers and paraprofessionals for the upcoming school year with an emphasis on differentiated lessons and depth of instruction with additional efforts to increase parent involvement throughout grade levels. Please visit [www.mcbain.org](http://www.mcbain.org) for future opportunities to volunteer at McBain Middle School. We appreciate the continued support of parents, staff and our community in this effort.

McBain Middle School is included in one building that spans Pre-school through grade 12. We are proud to have completed intensive school improvement that awarded us the opportunity to go School-Wide for Title I in 2010-11. The School Improvement Plan is in its third year. The plan includes a powerful mission statement along with a productive building level decision making processes that are shared with all stakeholders. The building goals are based on student academic objectives, strategies to accomplish goals, curriculum that is aligned corresponding with goals and methods for effective use of technology, as a way of improving learning and delivery of services. The School Improvement Plan is a living document that is understood by all staff and includes a strong component of parent involvement. School wide reform strategies and enriched, accelerated curriculum are vital to the implementation of a viable and guaranteed curriculum.

The core curriculum is ever-changing to the needs of our students and the future vision of our continued success. The Michigan Curriculum Framework is the core of the McBain's curriculum while we begin the process of switching to the National Common Core. Upon completion of updating all content area's to the Common Core our curriculum will be available online as well as in hard copy form for viewing.

Over the past two years attendance at parent teacher conferences has risen to fifty-nine percent. The teaching staff and parents believe that open, ongoing and frequent communication and collaboration is paramount for improved student achievement and the overall development of the whole child.

The McBain Schools enjoy a reputation of quality. The Middle School staff deliberately makes decisions on a daily basis that reflect the philosophy of "What is Best for Kids." Each staff member strives to ensure that all children are safe, healthy, challenged and supported. Together, the McBain Rural Agricultural Stakeholders create a caring purposeful community that supports and celebrates the individuality of each child.

Sincerely,

Kim VanderVlucht, Principal

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